

# **Navigation**



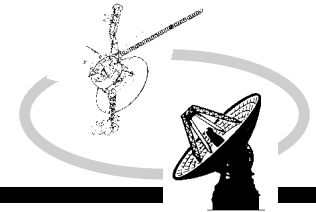
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## Objective and Significance



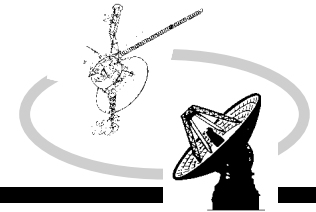
### Overall Objective

*The Navigation work area long-term objectives are to (1) increase the efficiency, reliability, and accuracy of the DSN-based navigation process, (2) reduce the overall cost and effort of navigation operations, and (3) shape the evolution of the DSN's navigation capabilities to meet the needs of future customers.*

<u>Goals</u>	<u>Significance</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop new techniques to improve navigation performance without increasing costs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor and characterize anomalous spacecraft behavior in near real-time</li> <li>Ensure efficient use of DSN tracking for additional missions               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discovery/SMEX class missions</li> <li>Small body missions</li> <li>Unstable orbit missions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop new low-cost methods to streamline DSN navigation operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decrease operations costs for modeling spacecraft</li> <li>Minimize redundancy in software efforts for mission planning and navigation</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop new navigation software systems to support future automated ground-based and on-board navigation efforts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consolidate efforts to create and maintain separate software systems for off-line, autonomous ground-based, and on-board navigation</li> <li>Enable analysts to provide quick, near real-time navigation support in critical scenarios</li> </ul>

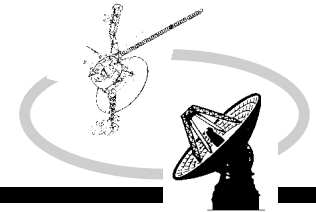
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## Products and Customers



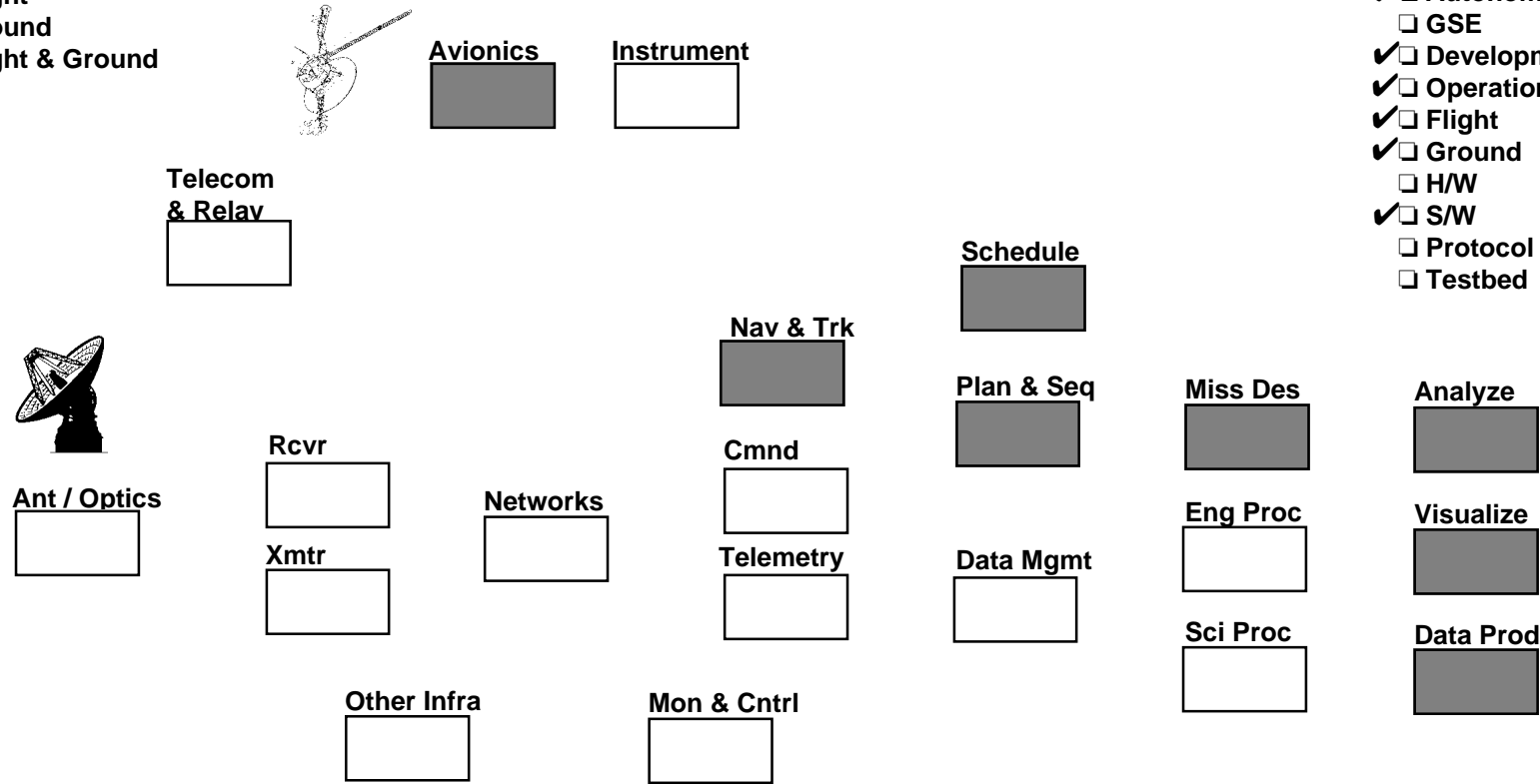
Product	User/Customer	Development Phase				Approach/Comments
		Concept	Design	Demo	Transfer	
"Stepping Stone" Approach to the Next Generation Navigation Software System	All missions	■	■			Builds on 'lessons learned' from successful ARTSN prototype
RAMPS (Real-time Automated Measurement Processing System)	All missions, DSN			■		Automated real-time data conditioning software
Automated Maneuver Optimization	Future missions, DSN	■				Intended to increase functionality of an automated spacecraft navigation system
Navigation Tracking Strategies and DSN Operations Requirements for Discovery and SMEX Class Missions	Future missions, especially Discovery and SMEX Class	■				Evaluate data types and strategies to minimize costs of tracking and TMOD operations
Adaptive Interplanetary Navigation	All missions, DSN		■			Performed jointly with the University of Texas/Center for Space Research
On-Board and Ground-Based Navigation Tradeoffs for Close-Proximity Operations and Landing on Small Bodies	Future small body missions, DSN	■	■			Identify interplay between ground and autonomous navigation for operations; work performed with Iowa State University
Navigation in Unstable Orbits and on Unstable Manifolds	Future missions, DSN	■	■			Work performed with Iowa State University

# Navigation The "Big" Picture



*The Navigation work area/unit generally fits into these elements of the overall TMOD environment.*

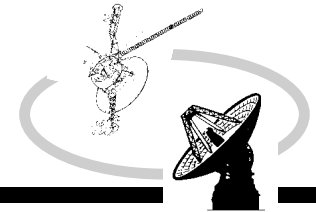
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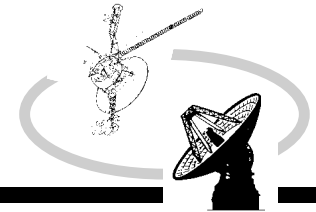
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### **Relevant Technical Skills**



- **Technical Strengths**
  - **Orbit Determination**
  - **Maneuver Design**
  - **Trajectory Design**
  - **Small Body Dynamics and Modeling**
  - **Adaptive Filtering**
  - **Navigation Planning & Support**
  - **Real-Time Software Design**
  - **Navigation System Design**
- **Other Capabilities**
  - **Navigation Data Assessment**
- **Skills Needed**
  - **Object-Oriented Software Designers with 'Large Software Effort' Success**

## Navigation FY98 Q1 Accomplishments



T. Drain

●●●● • **'Stepping Stone' Approach to the Next Generation Navigation Software System**

- Delayed work due to unavailability of funds
- Discussed ideas for overall goals and plan - to be presented at February retreat

D. Burkhart, T. Drain

+ • **Completed initial end-to-end demonstration of ARTSN pre-processor RAMPS (Read-time Automated Measurement Processing System)**

- Performs real-time validation of radio metric data, with real-time residual display
- Necessary for reliable real-time orbit determination
- Compatible with current navigation software

C. Potts

✓ • **Automated Maneuver Optimization**

- Investigated candidate algorithms, methods, scenarios for initial demonstrations - proceeding on schedule

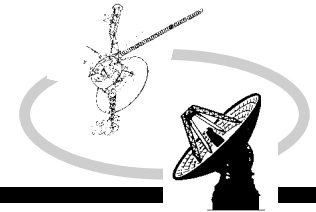
J. Ellis

●●●● • **Navigation Tracking Strategies and DSN Operations Requirements for Discovery and SMEX Class Missions**

- Delayed work due to unavailability of key personnel

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### FY98 Q1 Accomplishments (cont.)



L. Cangahuala,  
R. Bishop (UT)

- ✓ • **Adaptive Interplanetary Navigation**
  - Prepared ARTSN prototype for delivery to UT for adaptive filtering demonstration
    - Began to augment contract to account for software transfer
    - Prepared draft of ARTSN User Guide for UT collaborators
  - Reviewed ARTSN role in demonstration with UT colleague

B. Williams,  
D. Scheeres (ISU)

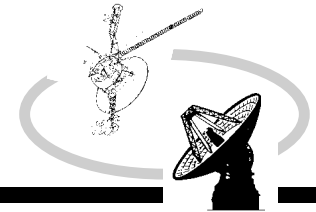
- ✓ • **On-Board and Ground-Based Navigation Tradeoffs for Close-Proximity Operations and Landing on Small Bodies**
  - Began developing software tools to characterize ground-based and on-board navigation capabilities with new graduate students

M. Lo,  
D. Scheeres (ISU)

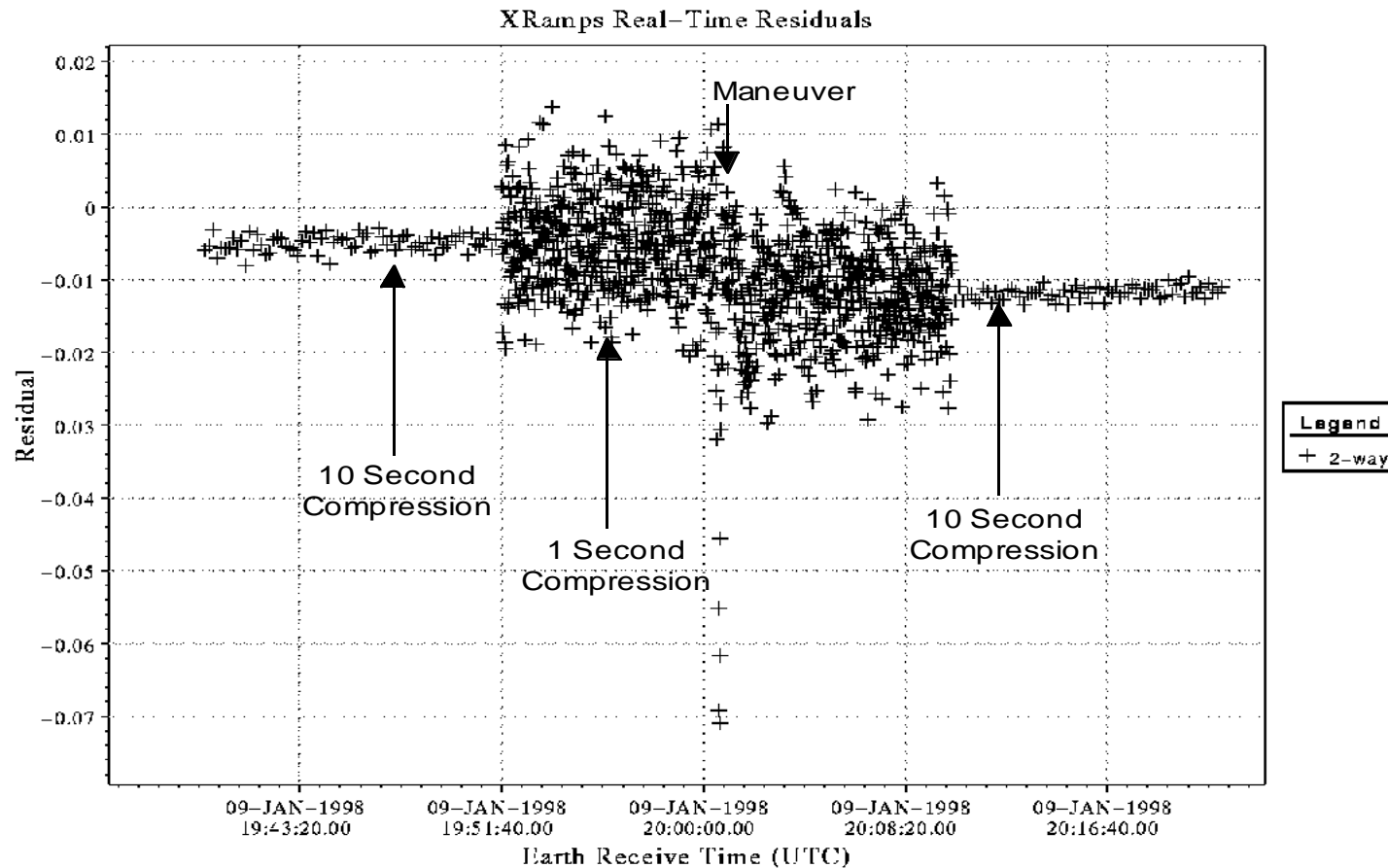
- ✓ • **Navigation in Unstable Orbits and on Unstable Manifolds**
  - Determined strategies for optimizing tracking requirements for halo orbits
  - Submitted results to AIAA/AAS Astrodynamics Specialist Conference

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## FY98 Q1 Accomplishments (cont.)



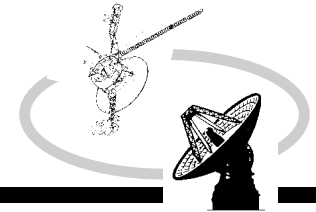
- **RAMPS Demonstration - Real Time Display of Validated 2-Way Doppler Residuals With User-Controlled Compression Rates During NEAR Maneuver (9 Jan 98).**





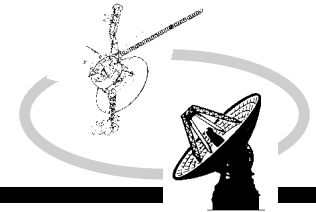
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### **FY98 Q2 Planned Accomplishments**



- **Deliver RAMPS prototype for testing**
- **Complete plan for 'Next Generation' navigation software suite**
- **Select candidate scenarios for autonomous maneuver design demonstration**
- **Begin tracking strategy and operations requirements study**
- **Deliver ARTSN prototype and User Guide to UT for adaptive filtering demonstration**
- **Complete characterization of ground-based issues for small body navigation**
- **Complete orbit uncertainty study for unstable orbits**

# Navigation Schedule


**JPL**
